IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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2 3	FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA	
4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	MICHAEL A. LUNA, Plaintiff, v. JUDGE CARNEY, et al, Defendant.) Civil Action No. 18-147Erie District Judge Conti Magistrate Judge Baxter
13	MEMORANDUM OPINION	
14	This prisoner civil rights action was received by the Clerk of Court on May 21, 2018. The	
15	case was assigned to United States Magistrate Judge for report and recommendation in	
16	accordance with the Magistrate Judges Act, 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), and Rules 72.1.3 and 72.1.4	
17	of the Local Rules for Magistrate Judges. The magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation,	
18	issued on June 25, 2018, recommended that Plaintiff's motion seeking leave to proceed in formation	
19	pauperis be granted and that this action be dismissed as legally frivolous in accordance with 28	
20	U.S.C. § 1915(e) due to judicial immunity of all named Defendants. ECF No. 5. Service of the	
21	Report and Recommendation was made on Plaintiff by mail at the Erie County Prison, at 1618	
22	Ash Street, Erie, Pennsylvania 16503, the last address of record. Plaintiff did not file objections	
23	to the Report and Recommendation.	
24	In response to the Report and Recommendation, Plaintiff filed a "Motion to	

In response to the Report and Recommendation, Plaintiff filed a "Motion to Amend/Correct Complaint." ECF No. 6. The motion is unaccompanied by a proposed amended complaint, but instead requests to add another Defendant, Joe Walsh¹, to his original complaint

¹ This Court will take judicial notice of the fact that Joe Walsh is a Judge of the Erie County Court of Common Pleas.

and explains that all Defendants acted outside of their jurisdiction as Plaintiff has repeatedly objected to the jurisdiction of the Court of Common Pleas. <u>Id</u>.

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As the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation appropriately explained, judicial officers are immune from damages suits arising out of their official duties. Plaintiff's argument that he has not consented to the jurisdiction of the Court of Common Pleas of Erie County (because he is a resident of another state "when [he] is not being held captive" in jail) does not make the actions of these judges outside of their jurisdiction or authority so as to overcome absolute judicial immunity.

After a *de novo* review of the pleadings and filings, together with the Report and Recommendation, an order will be entered.

Dated: August 21, 2018

/s/ Joy Flowers Conti

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United States District Judge

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